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Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicant: Anthony M. Andrie et al.  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIRECT CONNECTION BETWEEN TWO  
INTEGRATED CIRCUITS VIA CONNECTOR

Application No.: 09/824,135

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- ☒ Response to Office action (5 page(s))  
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☐ Information Disclosure Statement ( page(s)), including PTO Form 1449  
☐ page(s)), and copies of reference(s)  
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Independent Claims	4	4	0 x \$84.00 =	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (if any) - \$280.00 fee				0.00
Additional Claims Fee				\$ 36.00
Fee For Extension Of Time				0.00
Other Fees: (N/A)				0.00
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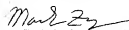
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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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This paper is responsive to a NON-FINAL Office action dated February 10, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire May 10, 2003.

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AMENDMENT

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In the Claims

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20. (Amended) An integrated circuit assembly comprising:
- first means for electrically coupling a packaged integrated circuit to a printed circuit board;
  - second means for directly electrically coupling the packaged integrated circuit to a second packaged integrated circuit without coupling through the printed circuit board.

28. (New) The integrated circuit assembly as recited in claim 20 wherein high speed signals are routed over the second means and wherein power, ground and slower speed signals are routed over the first means.